

1 1. A capacitor of the type having a cathode and an anode and an electrolyte
2 disposed between the cathode and the anode, the capacitor comprising
3 an electrochemical cathode comprising an aluminum current collector coated with
4 a finely divided material,
5 an electrolytic anode comprising aluminum coated with aluminum oxide,
6 an electrolyte in contact with the finely divided material on the cathode and the
7 aluminum oxide on the anode.

1 2. The capacitor of claim 1 wherein the electrolyte is substantially non-aqueous.

1 3. The capacitor of claim 2 wherein the electrochemical cathode functions by
2 forming a double layer of charge at the interface between the finely divided material and
3 the substantially non-aqueous electrolyte.

1 4. The capacitor of claim 2 wherein the finely divided material comprises carbon
2 particles.

1 5. The capacitor of claim 4 wherein the carbon particles comprise at least one of
2 carbon powder, carbon fibers, and graphite.

1 6. The capacitor of claim 2 wherein the electrochemical cathode functions by the
2 presence of an oxidation reduction reaction within the finely divided material.

1 7. The capacitor of claim 2 wherein the electrochemical cathode comprises a
2 metal oxide coating.

1 8. The capacitor of claim 2 wherein the metal oxide coating is ruthenium oxide.

1 9. The capacitor of claim 2 wherein the metal oxide is hydrous amorphous
2 ruthenium oxide powder adhered to the aluminum current collector.

1 10. The capacitor of claim 2 wherein the cathode further comprises an adhesion
2 layer between the finely divided material and the aluminum.

1 11. The capacitor of claim 10 wherein the adhesion layer comprises a carbon
2 rubber coating.

1 12. The capacitor of claim 11 wherein the adhesion layer is from 0.5 to 2.0 mil
2 thick.

1 13. The capacitor of claim 12 wherein the electrochemical capacitor comprises a
2 metal oxide adhered to the aluminum with the adhesion layer.

1 14. The capacitor of claim 13 wherein the metal oxide is hydrous amorphous
2 ruthenium oxide powder.

1 15. The capacitor of claim 2 wherein the substantially non-aqueous electrolyte
2 comprises an ethylene glycol solvent.

1 16. The capacitor of claim 2 wherein the anode has a larger surface area than the
2 cathode.